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## **UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Docket No. P15484US00

To the C mmissi ner f Patents:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a **continuation** patent application of PCT/SE99/00627 filed April 20, 1999, of Kersti STRANDQVIST,

corresponding to Swedish application 9801490-5, filed April 28, 1998, entitled: ABSORBENT STRUCTURE HAVING IMPROVED ABSORPTION PROPERTIES

## Enclosed are:

Х	10 pages of specification.
Х	4 sheets of formal drawings.
Х	a newly-executed declaration of the inventor.
	a copy of an executed declaration of the inventor from prior application Serial No. , filed .
	incorporation by reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied as indicated in the preceding box, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
Х	an assignment of the invention to SCA HYGIENE PRODUCTS AB, including assignment cover sheet.
	Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449.
	copies of the Information Disclosure Statement citations.
Х	preliminary amendment.
Х	return receipt postcard (MPEP 503), specifically itemized.
	applicant claim small entity status.
	a certified copy of the Priority Document.
Х	other: application data sheet.

If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information.

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of prior application No. PCT/SE99/00627, filed April 20, 1999.

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